Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Fishing – Frogging – Hiking -Hunting – Outdoor Photography – Picnicking

The area south of Highway 82 is closed to fishing, frogging and hunting.

Rules and Regulations

- No littering, no fireworks and no open fires.
- No free-running pets. Dogs must be leashed or confined when not being trained or used for hunting.
- Destroying, cutting or removing vegetation is prohibited. Nuts, berries, fruits, edible wild greens and mushrooms may be taken only for personal consumption.
- No camping permitted.
- Swimming, collecting plants and animals are not allowed.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.

Fishing

Fishing and frogging are allowed under statewide regulations with the following exceptions:

- On lakes and ponds, fish may be taken only with pole and line and not more than three (3) poles may be used by one (1) person at any time.
- In lakes and ponds, daily limits are 4 catfish in the aggregate (channel, blue and flathead): 6 black bass, 30 crappie; and all other fish, statewide limits, but not to exceed 20 in the aggregate.
- In lakes and ponds, black bass more than 12" but less than 15" must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught.
- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited.
- Salvage seining of non-game fish for personal use is permitted only with written authorization.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to hunting under statewide regulations, except as further restricted by the following regulations:

- Deer hunting is permitted under statewide seasons and limits except: only archery and muzzleloading methods may be used. The use of antlerless permits is allowed.
- Only bucks that have at least four antler points on one side of their rack may be taken during the archery and firearms deer hunting seasons (except the youth portions).
- Only portable tree stands are allowed and only from September 1 through January 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled on a durable material with the full name and address, or Conservation Number, of the owner and be removed from the area before February 1. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Decoys and portable blinds are permitted but must be removed from the area daily.
- Trapping furbearers allowed only by special use permit.

For local information, contact:

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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code. With lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/3csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their nace, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (wice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Story (MSSP 4020, Affington, W. 22203.

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